

REMARKS

Reexamination and reconsideration of the rejections are hereby requested.

In response to the objection to the drawing, enclosed herewith the required formal drawings.

The abstract has been amended to conform the specification to accepted practice. It is submitted that this amendment to the abstract overcomes the objection to the specification.

Claim 8 has been amended to replace "sensory" with "sensor" as required by the Examiner. Further, claim 16 has been cancelled as a duplicate of claim 6.

As discussed in the specification, in one aspect the invention is a computer peripheral having at least one element supported for motion and an electromechanical mechanism for moving the moveable element. Importantly, circuitry provides a shaped input to the electromechanical mechanism to move the moveable element along a desired trajectory. Preferred embodiments are described in which the desired trajectory results in maximum speed operation or in quiet operation. The desired trajectory may also result in a vibration reduced mode or one that reduces unwanted frequencies.

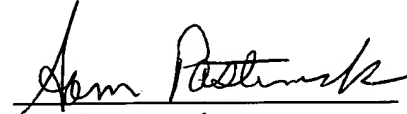
Claims 1-14, 16-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by McConnell et al., U.S. patent number 6,011,373. McConnell et al. is directed robust vibration suppression methods and systems that can be used with computer peripherals such as ink jet printers. Although McConnell suggests reducing noise generation in an ink jet printer in the example given at column 22 and referred to by the Examiner, McConnell nowhere discloses moving "the moveable element along a desired trajectory." This material limitation of moving the moveable element along a desired trajectory appears to have been ignored in independent claims 1 and 12. The undersigned attorney can find no disclosure in McConnell of selecting a desired trajectory and then shaping an input to move the moveable element along the desired trajectory.

It is thus submitted that the absence in McConnell of a material limitation renders the 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejection inappropriate. Reconsideration is requested.

Claim 15 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over McConnell in view of Applicant's admission of prior art. Claim 15 is a dependent claim that depends from independent claim 1. Therefore, dependent claim 15 is allowable for reasons set forth above with respect to the allowability of claim 1.

For foregoing reasons, it is submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and early favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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